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SUBJECT: CODEL HUMPHREY/SCOTT: GIEREK AND OLSZOWSKI COMMENT ON
CSCE

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1. DURING JULY 5 MEETINGS WITH THE CODEL, FIRST SECRETARY
GIEREK AND FOREIGN MINISTER OLSZOWSKI EXPRESSED OPTIMISM ABOUT
A CSCE THIRD STAGE AT HELSINKI THIS SUMMER.

2. IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION FROM SENATOR MATHIAS ABOUT
HIS VIEWS ON THE TIMING OF THE CSCE THIRD STAGE, OLSZOWSKI
SAID: "THE TENDENCY TO DELAY THE CONFERENCE STILL EXISTS.

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NO FINAL DECISION HAS YET BEEN TAKEN ON THE DATE FOR THE

THIRD-STAGE MEETING. ONLY SOME SMALLER COUNTRIES STICK TO THEIR OLD IDEAS AND REFUSE TO AGREE TO SETTING THE DATE. ON OUR SIDE, ROMANIA HAS TRIED TO DELAY THINGS; ON THE WESTERN SIDE, IT HAS RECENTLY BEEN TURKEY. I THINK THIS STEMS FROM A DESIRE TO DEMONSTRATE THE ORIGINALITY OF THEIR POSITION. ALSO, TURKEY HAS SOME PROBLEMS WITH THE WORDING AND WITH ITS GEOGRAPHICAL COMPLICATIONS, PRIMARILY WITH GREECE, HOWEVER, I THINK THE NEXT TWO OR THREE DAYS WILL BRING A SOLUTION TO THOSE PROBLEMS AND THE THIRD STAGE CAN TAKE PLACE IN LATE JULY OR EARLY AUGUST. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT MALTA MIGHT COME UP WITH, BUT WE DO RECALL THAT MALTA ALMOST BROUGHT THE ENTIRE CONFERENCE DOWN RIGHT AT THE OUTSET."

3. IN THE MEETING WITH GIEREK, SENATOR JAVITS JOINED A DISCUSSION WITH GIEREK ON THE SUBJECT OF THE NEED FOR TRUST BY NOTING THAT TRUST MUST BE BASED ON TWO FACTORS:

(A) AGREEMENTS, AND (B) FIDELITY TO AGREEMENTS ONCE REACHED. JAVITS THEN NOTED THAT EUROPE IS DIVIDED INTO TWO PARTS AND THAT "CSCE WILL CONSECRATE EUROPE DIVIDED INTO TWO PARTS." JAVITS ASKED WHETHER IN GIEREK'S VIEW THIS WOULD IMPROVE OR DECREASE THE PROSPECTS FOR PEACE AND WHAT COULD BE DONE TO CREATE A GREATER CHANCE FOR PEACE. GIEREK REPLIED THAT THE DOCUMENTS "WE ARE ABOUT TO SIGN IN HELSINKI" WILL BE A GREAT STEP FORWARD AND ASKED WHY WE SHOULDN'T TRUST EACH OTHER THAT THE DOCUMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED. HE SAID THAT ON THAT BASIS WE CAN THEN GO FURTHER TO ELIMINATE OTHER PROBLEMS. "PUTTING IT BRIEFLY, " GIEREK CONCLUDED, " I AM AN OPTIMIST. LIKE YOU, I BELIEVE IN PEOPLE."

4. COMMENT: IT WAS NOT APPARENT WHETHER THESE STATEMENTS BY LOSZOWSKI AND GIEREK OF OFFICIAL POLISH (AND WARSAW PACT) POLICY, PRESSING FOR A CSCE SUMMIT THIS SUMMER, ALSO REFLECT KNOWLEDGE OF A SOVIET WILLINGNESS TO MAKE CONCESSIONS TO ASSURE AN EARLY SUMMIT. LOWER-LEVEL POLISH OFFICIAL SOURCES AND POLISH JOURNALISTS HAVE BEEN EXPRESSING SKEPTICISM THE LAST FEW DAYS THAT ENOUGH TIME REMAINS TO CLEAR UP THE LINGERING PROBLEMS AT GENEVA AND MAKE PREPARATIONS FOR A JULY OR AUGUST SUMMIT.

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